Request For Joint Task Force North Support FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY **Support Request Number:** U.S. Border Patrol, Rio Grande Valley Sector Requesting Office: Requestor's Address: 4400 South Expressway 281, Edinburg, Texas 78542 Requestor's Name: CPA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Point of Contact (Name & Title): (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) , ACPA Office: 956-289-4906 Cell: 956--578-3335 Fax: Email: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) **Type of Support Requested** Operational/Engineer/Intelligence Support Maritime Surveillance Radar Aerial Reconnaissance Aerial FLIR Multi-Sensor Operations Ground Reconnaissance or Entry Identification Team (EIT) Air Surveillance Radar **Aviation Support** Tunnel Detection Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Engineering and Construction Projects **Ground Sensor Operations Intelligence Analyst** Ground Based FLIR Other: Aerostats / Towers to include operators and **Ground Transportation** maintainers. Requested Execution Dates: 3rd and 4th Qtr, FY 14 General Support **Mobile Training Team (MTT)** Intelligence Preparation of the Operational Environment Intelligence Link and Pattern Analysis Drug Trafficking Organization Targeting (Tactical Unit Only) Interviewing Tactics and Techniques Threat Assessment Training Threat Area Vulnerability Assessment Training (TAVA) **Integrated Mission Planning** Identifying and Mitigating a Threat i2 Incorporated's Analyst's Notebook Intelligence Leaders Course Trauma Management Military Decision-Making (MDMP) Mission Planning X Other: Aerostat and Tower training Request Training Dates:

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Counter Drug Nexus (Include how support will assist LEA)

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Explain why this type of support cannot be provided by the requesting agency.

CBP doesn't currently own aerostat and tower systems, and CBP has no organic program management and/or contract support structure in place to operate and sustain aerostats/towers. U.S. Army is providing up to 8 aerostats and 40 towers as they become excess equipment. CBP needs to continue to leverage Department of Defense (DoD) contracts while working longer term program of record type support capabilities.

Additional Remarks (Optional):

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Sector continued sustainment of these sites and fielding of additional sites. Each deployment site requires a minimum of three (3) operators to function as Aerostat flight crew members for 24/7 operation.

This support request is also seeking a minimum of twenty-one (21) operators per site for five (5) Aerostat RAID/Tower sites. Training and equipment will be provided by DoD contracted personnel. The Aerostat flight crews will work as teams to successfully install, configure, operate, and maintain the RAID Multi-Sensor Tower systems and Aerostat Balloon System in mission critical areas within the Rio Grande Valley Sector area of responsibility (AOR).

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Three Aerostat systems are currently fielded to pre-designated sites (one system per site) within the RGV Sector stations. This request for support is seeking continued sustainment of these sites and fielding of additional sites. Each deployment site requires a minimum of three (3) operators to function as Aerostat flight crew members for 24/7 operation.

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